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Serial No. 09/628,352

**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2153
Docket No.: 1405.1024**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Masahide NODA et al.

Serial No. 09/628,352

Group Art Unit: 2153

Confirmation No. 3309

Filed: July 28, 2000

Examiner: Anita Choudhary

For: COMMUNICATION PROMOTION METHOD AND SYSTEM

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed February 19, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on May 19, 2004. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to June 21, 2004 (June 19, 2004 falling on a Saturday). This Amendment is timely filed on June 21, 2004 via certificate of facsimile.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Entry of the claim amendments and reconsideration of the amended claims is respectfully requested, because it is believed that the claim amendments clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention over the newly cited relied upon references without requiring further search to place the application in condition for allowance.

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AMOUNT ENCLOSED	110.00	Examiner Name Anita Choudhary

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	15	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6	- 7 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	0.00

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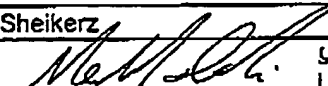
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